

SC Annual School Report Card Summary

East Aiken Elementary

Aiken

Grades: PK-5 **Enrollment: 503**

Principal: Mary Lovvorn Robinson Superintendent: Dr. Elizabeth Everitt **Board Chair: Dr. Christine Harkins**

PERFORMANCE

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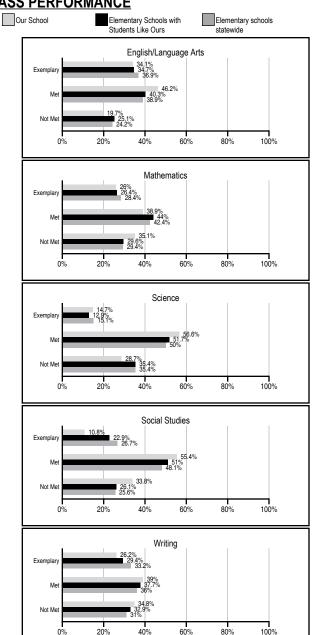
YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
			General Performance	Closing the Gap		
2009	Average	Average	TBD	TBD	Met	NI-DELAY
2008	Below Average	At-Risk	N/A	N/A	Not Met	NI
2007	Average	At-Risk	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
1	20	84	10	0

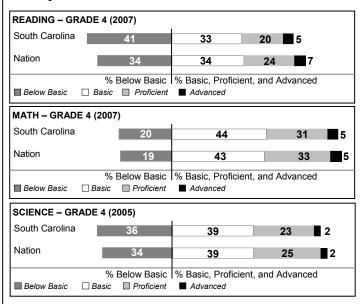
^{*} Ratings are calculated with data available by 06/01/2010. Schools with Students Like Ours are Elementary Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.





NAEP PERFORMANCE*

* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.



SC PERFORMANCE GOAL

By 2010, SC's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the fastest improving systems in the country.

2020 Vision:

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

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SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary School
Students (n=503)				
Retention rate	1.4%	Up from 0.4%	2.4%	1.9%
Attendance rate	95.6%	Down from 96.1%	96.2%	96.3%
Eligible for gifted and talented	9.3%	Down from 13.6%	8.8%	10.0%
With disabilities other than speech	8.9%	Up from 6.1%	9.2%	7.7%
Older than usual for grade	0.0%	No Change	0.6%	0.5%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=36)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	69.4%	Up from 67.6%	60.5%	59.4%
Continuing contract teachers	88.9%	Down from 91.9%	82.7%	80.0%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	2.9%	Up from 0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers returning from previous year	90.3%	Up from 86.7%	87.2%	85.9%
Teacher attendance rate	93.0%	Down from 94.8%	95.1%	95.1%
Average teacher salary*	\$48,927	Up 6.9%	\$47,415	\$47,149
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Professional development days/teacher	17.6 days	Down from 23.5 days	11.6 days	11.1 days
School				
Principal's years at school	7.0	Up from 6.0	4.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	21.5 to 1	Up from 17.9 to 1	19.0 to 1	18.8 to 1
Prime instructional time	87.5%	Down from 89.6%	90.1%	90.4%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	Down from Excellent	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	No Change	100.0%	100.0%
Character development program	Excellent	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$7,267	Up 10.1%	\$7,360	\$7,458
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	73.4%	Down from 73.6%	68.0%	68.8%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	57.7%	Down from 69.7%	61.7%	63.2%
% of AYP objectives met	100.0%	Up from 76.5%	100.0%	100.0%

^{*} Length of contract = 185+ days.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	38	70	47
Percent satisfied with learning environment	94.7%	87.1%	88.9%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	97.3%	79.1%	87.0%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	84.2%	89.6%	84.4%

^{*}Only students at the highest elementary school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

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REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

East Aiken Elementary won the Red Carpet Award for 2008-09. We are extremely proud of our family-friendly atmosphere and our warm, inviting environment. Members of our School Improvement Council and PTO collaborated to write a grant to fund landscape projects. Parents worked tirelessly to create a South Carolina Garden with an outdoor classroom in our courtvard. Students, teachers. parents, and community members enjoy this beautiful addition to our campus.

Literacy Model Classrooms at East Aiken are providing intensive, individualized instruction in reading, language, and writing. Teachers plan lessons for the whole class, small groups, and individual children. Students work in small groups in literacy centers designed to meet the needs of each child. Our Reading Interventionist provides additional specific instruction to struggling readers.

Student achievement in mathematics is improving under the direction of our mathematics coach. She facilitates grade level team planning and helps teachers use MAP data to inform their assessments and instruction. The coach also teaches model lessons and locates math manipulative materials to enhance math instruction.

Innovative technology, such as interactive white boards, digital cameras, and etvStreamlineSC, enhances lessons in all areas. Four mobile laptop labs are available for classes to use for a variety of computer programs. Our Media Specialist collaborates with teachers to design research projects for students using the Internet and other resources.

Our 21st Century Community Learning Center continues to provide outstanding opportunities for student growth and development in the daily after-school program. Grant funding and community resources allow one hundred atrisk children to benefit from a wide range of academic and enrichment services at no charge.

Volunteers make a vital contribution to the success of our students. Parents and community members serve as mentors to children who need a caring adult in their life, tutor students with special needs, and assist teachers with a variety of activities.

East Aiken is an Arts in Basic Curriculum Site, a recipient of a Distinguished Arts Program grant, and our partnership with the Aiken Community of Character initiative continues. Our monthly arts-integrated character education productions are legendary. Artists-in-Residence come for a full week to immerse our students in arts experiences such as Sweetgrass Basket Weaving, Batik, and Multicultural Drumming. Our teachers, parents, and others work together to ensure that our children have exemplary experiences in academics and in the arts.

Mary Robinson, Principal Tammy Duncan, School Improvement Council Chair

^{**} Prior year audited financial data available